

VZCZCXYZ0012
OO RUEHWEB

DE RUEHKO #0462 0610631
ZNY SSSSS ZZH
O 020631Z MAR 09
FM AMEMBASSY TOKYO
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1138
INFO RUEHBJ/AMEMBASSY BEIJING IMMEDIATE 7988
RUEHRL/AMEMBASSY BERLIN IMMEDIATE 1597
RUEHDM/AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS IMMEDIATE 0538
RUEHLO/AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE 2350
RUEHMO/AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE 2729
RUEHFR/AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE 6434
RUEHUNV/USMISSION UNVIE VIENNA IMMEDIATE 0517

S E C R E T TOKYO 000462

SENSITIVE
SIPDIS

DEPT PLEASE PASS EAP/J, ISN/RA RICHARD NEPHEW, AND IO/T
MATT GOLDSTEIN

E.O. 12958: DECL: 02/27/2019
TAGS: [KNNP](#) [PARM](#) [IAEA](#) [MNUC](#) [IR](#) [SYR](#) [TRGY](#) [JA](#)
SUBJECT: DEMARCHE DELIVERED ON IAEA REPORTS ON IRAN AND
SYRIA

REF: STATE 16285

Classified By: EMIN Robert Cekuta for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

¶1. (SBU) Econoff delivered demarche contained in reftel to Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) Non-proliferation, Science, and Nuclear Energy Division officers responsible for Iran and Syria February 24. Similarly, poloff delivered the points to contacts in MOFA's First and Second Middle East Divisions.

¶2. (SBU) Non-proliferation officer Isami Takada said Japan is drafting its national statement on Iran, so the demarche was well timed. He described Iran's continued breach of its obligations as quite serious but not unexpected, and noted Japan's position against Iran's activities remains unchanged. Takada said MOFA believed "the ball is in Iran's court" and it is Iran's turn to make a positive action.

¶3. (S) Takada added that Japan is aware a P5 1 statement is under negotiation and said Japan would welcome a strong joint statement in order to show Iran a united front.

¶4. (SBU) Regarding Syria, Takada said Japan shares the USG's concern and Japan's position has not changed since it issued its November 2008 statement on Syria.
ZUMWALT